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David Miceli, et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In order to conform with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.72 (b), applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment.

In the Abstract:

Delete the abstract.

Replace the deleted abstract with the following new abstract.

A reversible child resistant closure system including a closure and container having a neck portion, an engaging means and an axis extending therethrough about which the closure is rotatable. The closure has a child resistant mode when applied to the container in a first child resistant position and has a non-child resistant mode when applied to the container in a second non-child resistant position. The closure includes an outer cap and an inner cap. The inner cap is coaxially positioned and nested within the outer cap and is axially movable between the first child resistant engaging means and the bottom edge of the outer cap such that a plurality of angular abutment surfaces of the inner cap engage a series of angular abutments of the outer cap upon rotation of the outer cap to rotate the inner cap in a closing direction.

